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REMARKS

By the present amendment, Applicant has canceled Claims 9-15. Claims 1-8 remain pending in

the present application. Claim 1 is an independent claim.

The Examiner objected to Claims 9-15 under 37 CFR 1.75 as being the substantial duplicate of

Claims 1-7. Claims 9-15 were objected to for having a reference numeral not used in a parenthesis.

The indication by the Examiner in the recent Office Action that Claims 1-8 were allowable over

the prior art of record is noted with appreciation. In this regard, Applicant has canceled claims 9-15 to

obviate these objections and to place the application in condition for allowance.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition

for allowance. If such is not the case, the Examiner is requested to kindly contact the undersigned in an

effort to satisfactorily conclude the prosecution of this application.

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